

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-07

INFO OCT-01 AF-08 ARA-06 EUR-12 EA-07 NEA-10 ISO-00  
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R 131237Z DEC 76  
FM AMEMBASSY DOHA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2088  
CNFO RUQMBI/AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI 0826  
AMEMBASSY ALGIERS  
USINT BAGHDAD  
AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
AMEMBASSY JAKARTA  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
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AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY QUITO  
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AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI  
AMEMBASSY VIENNA

C O N F I D E N T I A L DOHA 1348

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OPEC ENRG QA  
SUBJ: QATARI CANDIDACY FOR OPEC SECRETARY GENERAL

1. DURING DEC 12 CONVERSATION WITH OFFICE DIRECTOR OF QATARI  
MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PETROLEUM, WE ASKED ABOUT CANDIDACY  
OF GOQ'S DIRECTOR OF PETROLEUM AFFAIRS ALI JAIDAH FOR OPEC  
SECRETARY GENERAL. OFFICIAL REPLIED THAT IT WAS QATAR'S TURN  
TO FILL POSITION AND JAIDAH WAS EXCELLENT CANDIDATE. HOWEVER,  
HE INDICATED THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE RELUCTANCE WITHIN GOQ  
TO DETACH JAIDAH FROM HIS PRESENT RESPONSIBILITIES, SINCE JAIDAH  
WAS THE ONLY SENIOR GOQ OFFICIAL OF QATARI NATIONALITY WHO WAS  
KNOWLEDGEABLE IN PETROLEUM AFFAIRS.

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2. COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT GOQ WILL NOT VIGOROUSLY PRESS

JAIDAH'S CANDIDACY.  
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